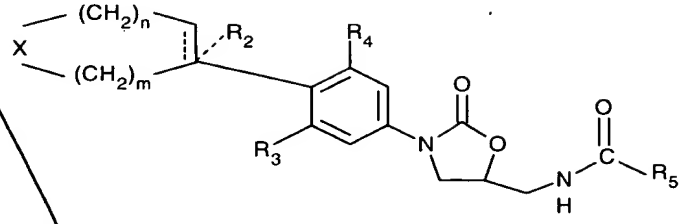
We claim:

1. A compound of Formula I:



(I)

or pharmaceutical acceptable salts thereof wherein:

X is NR_1;

R_1 is

a) H,

b) C_{1-6} alkyl, optionally substituted with one or more OH, CN, or halo,

c) $-(CH_2)_h$-aryl,

d) $-COR_{1-1}$,

e) $-COOR_{1-2}$,

f) $-CO-(CH_2)_h-COR_{1-1}$,

g) $-SO_2-C_{1-6}$ alkyl,

h) $-SO_2-(CH_2)_h$-aryl, or

i) $-(CO)_i$-Het;

R_{1-1} is

a) H,

b) C_{1-6} alkyl, optionally substituted with one or more OH, CN, or halo,

c) $-(CH_2)_h$-aryl, or

d) $-(CH_2)_h-OR_{1-3}$;

R_{1-2} is

a) C_{1-6} alkyl, optionally substituted with one or more OH, CN, or halo,

b) $-(CH_2)_h$-aryl, or

c) $-(CH_2)_h-OR_{1-3}$;

R_{1-3} is

a) H,

b) C_{1-6} alkyl,

c) $-(CH_2)_h$-aryl, or

d) $-CO(C_{1-6}$ alkyl);

R_2 is

a) H,

b) C_{1-6} alkyl,

c) $-(CH_2)_h$-aryl, or

d) halo;

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R_3 and R_4 are independently

a) H, or

b) halo;

R_5 is

a) H,

b) C_{1-12} alkyl, optionally substituted with one or more halo,

c) C_{3-12} cycloalkyl,

d) C_{1-6} alkoxy;

Het is 5- to 10-membered heterocyclic rings having one or more oxygen, nitrogen, and sulfur atoms;

the dotted line ------ in the ring system of Formula I is a single or a double bound;

h is 1, 2, 3, or 4;

i is 0 or 1;

m is 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5;

n is 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5;

and with the following provisios

a) m and n taken together are 3, 4, or 5;

b) where the dotted line ------ is a double bound, R_2 is not present in Foumula I.

2. A compound of Claim 1 wherein R_1 is selected from the group consisting of H, fluoroethyl, cyanomethyl, methyl sulfonyl, formyl, hydroxyacetyl, acetyl, methoxyacetyl, benzyloxyacetyl, acetoxyacetyl, dichloroacetyl, methoxy carbonyl, tert-butoxy carbonyl, benzyloxy carbonyl, 3-hydroxypropionyl, 3-methoxypropionyl, 4-oxopentanoyl, 2-indole carbonyl, 5-isoxazole carbonyl, 5-nitro-2-thiazoyl, 4-oxo-2-thiazolinyl, and 5-methyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl.

3. A compound of Claim 1 wherein R_2 is H, F, or CH_3.

4. A compound of Claim 1 wherein R_3 and R_4 are independently H or F.

5. A compound of Claim 1 wherein R_5 is methyl, ethyl, cyclopropyl, or methyl

substituted with one to two F or Cl.

6. A compound of Claim 1 wherein m and n taken together are 3.

7. A compound of Claim 1 wherein m and n taken together are 4.

8. A compound of Claim 1 which is an optically pure enantiomer having the S-configuration at C5 of the oxazolidinone ring.

9. A compound selected from the group consisting of:

a). (S)-(-)-4-[4-[5-[(Acetylamino)methyl]-2-oxo-3-oxazolidinyl]phenyl]-3,6-dihydro-1(2H)-pyridinecarboxylic acid phenylmethyl ester;

b). (S)-(-)-N-[[2-Oxo-3-[4-(4-piperidinyl)phenyl]-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

c). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-[(Benzyloxy)acetyl]-4-piperidinyl]phenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

d). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(Hydroxyacetyl)-4-piperidinyl]phenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

e). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-[(Benzyloxy)acetyl]-4-piperidinyl]-3-fluorophenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

f). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(Hydroxyacetyl)-4-piperidinyl]-3-fluorophenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

g). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-[(Benzyloxy)acetyl]-4-piperidinyl]-3,5-difluorophenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

h). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(Hydroxyacetyl)-4-piperidinyl]-3,5-difluorophenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

i). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(Indole-2-carbonyl)-4-piperidinyl]-3-fluorophenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

j). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(Isoxazole-5-carbonyl)-4-piperidinyl]-3-fluorophenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

k). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(Methylsulfonyl)-4-piperidinyl]-3-fluorophenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

l). (S)-(-)-4-[4-[5-[(Acetylamino)methyl]-2-oxo-3-oxazolidinyl]-2-fluorophenyl]-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid methyl ester;

m). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(Cyanomethyl)-4-piperidinyl]-3-fluorophenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

n). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(2-Fluoroethyl)-4-piperidinyl]-3-fluorophenyl]-2-oxo-5-

oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

o). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(Formyl)-4-piperidinyl]-3-fluorophenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

p). (S)-(-)-4-[4-[5-[[(2,2-Dichloroacetyl)amino]methyl]-2-oxo-3-oxazolidinyl]-2-fluorophenyl]-1-piperidinecarboxylic acid 1,1-dimethylethyl ester;

q). (S)-(-)-2,2-Dichloro-N-[[2-oxo-3-[3-fluoro-4-(4-piperidinyl)phenyl]-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

r). (S)-(-)-2,2-Dichloro-N-[[2-oxo-3-[3-fluoro-4-[1-[(acetoxy)acetyl]-4-piperidinyl]phenyl]-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

s). (S)-(-)-2,2-Dichloro-N-[[2-oxo-3-[3-fluoro-4-[1-(hydroxyacetyl)-4-piperidinyl]phenyl]-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

t). (S)-(-)-N-[[2-Oxo-3-[3-fluoro-4-[1-[(acetoxy)acetyl]-4-piperidinyl]phenyl]-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

u). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(4-Oxo-2-thiazolinyl)-4-piperidinyl]-3-fluorophenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

v). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(4-Oxo-2-thiazolinyl)-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyridin-5-yl]-3-fluorophenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

w). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(5-Methyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)-4-piperidinyl]-3-fluorophenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

x). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(5-Methyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyridin-4-yl]-3-fluorophenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

y). (S)-(-)-N-[[2-Oxo-3-[4-(3,6-dihydro-2H-pyridin-4-yl)-3-fluorophenyl]-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

z). (S)-(-)-N-[[2-Oxo-3-[3-fluoro-4-[1-[(acetoxy)acetyl]-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyridin-4-yl]phenyl]-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

aa). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(Hydroxyacetyl)-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyridin-4-yl]-3-fluorophenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

bb). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(Formyl)-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyridin-4-yl]-3-fluorophenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

cc). (S)-(-)-4-[4-[5-[(Acetylamino)methyl]-2-oxo-3-oxazolidinyl]-2-fluorophenyl]-3,6-dihydro-1(2H)-pyridinecarboxylic acid methyl ester;

dd). (S)-(-)-N-[[2-Oxo-3-[4-(3,6-dihydro-2H-pyridin-4-yl)phenyl]-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

ee). (S)-(-)-N-[[2-Oxo-3-[4-[1-[(acetoxy)acetyl]-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyridin-4-yl]phenyl]-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

ff). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(Hydroxyacetyl)-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyridin-4-yl]phenyl]-2-oxo-5-

oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

gg). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(Formyl)-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyridin-4-yl]phenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

hh). (S)-(-)-4-[4-[5-[(Acetylamino)methyl]-2-oxo-3-oxazolidinyl]phenyl]-3,6-dihydro-1(2H)-pyridinecarboxylic acid methyl ester;

ii). (S)-N-[[2-Oxo-3-[3-fluoro-4-[1-[(acetoxy)acetyl]-5,6-dihydro-2H-pyridin-3-yl]phenyl]-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

jj). (S)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(Hydroxyacetyl)-5,6-dihydro-2H-pyridin-3-yl]-3-fluorophenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

kk). (S)-N-[[2-Oxo-3-[3-fluoro-4-[1-[(acetoxy)acetyl]-2,3,4,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-azepin-5-yl]phenyl]-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

ll). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(Hydroxyacetyl)-2,3,4,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-azepin-5-yl]-3-fluorophenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

mm). (S)-(-)-N-[[2-Oxo-3-[3-fluoro-4-[1-[(acetoxy)acetyl]-2,3,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-azepin-4-yl]phenyl]-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

nn). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(Hydroxyacetyl)-2,3,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-azepin-4-yl]-3-fluorophenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

oo). (5S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(Hydroxyacetyl)hexahydro-1H-azepin-4-yl]-3-fluorophenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

pp). (S)-N-[[2-Oxo-3-[3-fluoro-4-[1-[(acetoxy)acetyl]-3,4-dihydro-2H-pyridin-5-yl]phenyl]-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

qq). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(Hydroxyacetyl)-3,4-dihydro-2H-pyridin-5-yl]-3-fluorophenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide; and

rr). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-Formyl-4-fluoro-4-piperidinyl]-3-fluorophenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide.

10. A compound of Claim 9 which is:

a). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(Hydroxyacetyl)-4-piperidinyl]-3-fluorophenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

b). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(Formyl)-4-piperidinyl]-3-fluorophenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

c). (S)-(-)-2,2-Dichloro-N-[[2-oxo-3-[3-fluoro-4-[1-(hydroxyacetyl)-4-piperidinyl]phenyl]-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

d). (S)-(-)-N-[[2-Oxo-3-[3-fluoro-4-[1-[(acetoxy)acetyl]-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyridin-4-yl]phenyl]-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

e). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(Hydroxyacetyl)-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyridin-4-yl]-3-fluorophenyl]-

2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

f). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(Hydroxyacetyl)-2,3,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-azepin-4-yl]-3-fluorophenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide;

g). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(4-Oxo-2-thiazolinyl)-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyridin-5-yl]-3-fluorophenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide; or

h). (S)-(-)-N-[[3-[4-[1-(5-Methyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)-3,6-dihydro-2H-pyridin-5-yl]-3-fluorophenyl]-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]acetamide.

11. A method for treating microbial infections in patients comprising: administering to a patient in need thereof an effective amount of a compound of Formula I as shown in Claim 1.

12. The method of Claim 11 wherein said compound of Formula I is administered orally, parenterally or topically in a pharmaceutical composition.

13. The method of Claim 11 wherein said compound is administered in an amount of from about 0.1 to about 100 mg/kg of body weight/day.

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